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That we are the inventors of the invention described and claimed in the above-referenced U.S. Patent Application;

That the invention set forth in the above-referenced U.S. Patent Application was made in the course of our employment with General Electric Company, the assignee of the subject invention, using only the resources of the General Electric Company, including, for example, its funds, facilities, equipment, materials, information and services;

That the invention set forth in the above-referenced U.S. Patent Application was not first conceived, first built or first successfully tested in accordance with any work under any contract of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration and does not have any known relationship to the performance of any work under any contract of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration;

That we signed this declaration on the date we signed the formal papers accompanying the filing of the above-referenced U.S. Patent Application with the understanding that the General Electric Company would later insert the appropriate serial number and filing date hereinabove before submitting this Declaration to the U.S. Patent & Trademark Office;

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The subject matter of this application appears to have significant utility in the conduct of aeronautical and space activities as recited in Section 305C of the National Aeronautics and Space Act of 1958 (Public Law 568, 85th Congress, 42 U.S.C. 2457). Accordingly, it would appear that no patent can issue on this application until there is filed by applicant(s) a statement under oath, or in lieu thereof a declaration (as provided by 35 U.S.C. 25), setting forth the full facts concerning the circumstances under which such invention was made and stating the relationship (if any) of such invention to the performance of any work under any contract of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration.

In the event 35 U.S.C. 202 has been made applicable by express provision in any contract, grant or cooperative agreement with the National Aeronautics and Space Administration which may have a relationship to the subject matter of this application, applicant may file a statement under oath, or in lieu thereof a declaration (as provided by 35 U.S.C. 25), to the effect that 35 U.S.C. 202 is applicable, as an alternative to the statement required above. A false statement regarding this applicability of 35 U.S.C. 202 shall be considered a false representation of a material fact which may result in a request for transfer of title to the patent, which issues on this application, to the Administrator of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration pursuant to Section 305(e) of the National Aeronautics and Space Act.

It is considered appropriate for a statement to be filed at this time without a formal requirement and this letter has been sent in order to give applicant(s) an opportunity to do so.

Should it be necessary to bring this matter to the attention of the Commissioner to make a formal requirement for the statement, no provision is found in Section 305C of the National Aeronautics and Space Act for the extension of the time limit, set therein, which is thirty days after the requirement is made.

This application will be reached for processing in about FORTY-FIVE DAYS. Final disposition thereof will be expedited if an appropriate statement is filed during this period.

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